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PICKS SELF TO WIN FLOOD MOVES SOUTH REBELS IN RETREAT

Progressive Can Beat Taft.

"I Typify and Embody the Great People Warned to Flee, But Many Fifteen Thousand Men in the Oppos-Cause." He Declares.

Forces in State of Min-

NEW YORK, May 10.-The Roosevelt committee today gave out the following

Roosevelt to R. A. Caswell of Minneap-

and clerk of the supreme court, Min- warned to flee. Many, however, refusing reon, the railroad gateway of northern neapolis, Minn. "I wish it had been possible for me the north country will now be visited to go again to Minnesota. Unfortunately upon them, declare they will not abandon blood yesterday, killing ninety insurrectos it is physically impossible. Nine states their homes. Consequently government and losing but seven men, aside from have now held presidential primaries, or and state relief officials are preparing for several wounded. their equivalent-North Dakota, Wiscon- a hard campaign of rescue work. Boats sin, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Nebraska, are being gathered here and crews are Oregon, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Maryland. These states, the only

which there has been a free chance for the expression of the popular will, are to be represented by 256 delegates in the Chicago convention. Forty of these delegates are instructed for President Taft, and 216 are against him.

"He has carried but two of the nine"

"He has carried but two of states-New Hampshire and Massachu- made their way into the gulf. setts-while in Massachusetts the Roosevelt delegates at large were elected by over twice the majority which Mr. Tall obtained on preferential vote.

#### General Situation.

"In Maryland the majority against Mr. Taft was about the same, proportionately as the majorities for him in Massachufrom two to one to twenty to one. Taft. If primaries could be held in all crops. The people, disheartened,

"Mr. Taft's chance of renomination lies solely in securing at Chicago delegates who will misrepresent the will of the people. He can get these delegates, not in the primary states, but in the convention states, where delegates are chosen under the old system, and even in these states he can only get them where the

After a prolonged experience of me as President practically all of the big bosses in the republican party dislike me so heartily that they opposed Mr. Taft's nomination because I favored it. They were afraid that Mr. Taft would give them the same kind of trouble I ad given them. After three years and a half experience of Mr. Taft since he has been elected these same men have turned around and heartly favor his

#### "Fight Is on Bosses."

They were opposed to Mr. Taft four total loss. support him now. These men include, for instance, Mr. Gallinger, in New Hampshire; Mr. Aldrich, in Rhode Isfornia, and the Amalgamated Copper

plain people against the bosses. There is just one candidate whom it is possible to nominate against the bosses, and that to nominate against the bosses, and that is myself. Every vote for every other candidate from now on is in reality a vote for Mr. Taft. The fight is against the boss in Minnesota, as it is everywhere else. A vote for Mr. Taft is a work for Lori. mer, for Penrose, for Guggenheim, for Gallinger and for all the rest of them; and it is a vote for these men whether House it is cast in Minnesota, or in Massachusetts, or in Ohio, or New Jersey, or Cali-

"The fight is a nation-wide fight of the

#### Why He Is Candidate.

"I became a candidate only when I becandidate could by any possibility be nominated against Mr. Taft. The conest has gone so far as to make it now against Mr. Taft, and that either I shall be nominated or else a reactionary will be nominated.

"It is also evident that not only every progressive republican, but every man who believes in decency and honesty in politics, who is against boss rule and for the genuine rule of the people, and is for the elimination of special privilege

at this time I typify and embody the great cause which can only be furthered y supporting me. Almost everywhere where I have been able to appear personally in this campaign and fight the bosses we have beaten them, and I ask that Minnesota stand beside Oregon and Illinois Pennsylvania and Nebraska.

Pennsylvania and Nebraska. Maine, Kansas and Maryland in this fight. (Signed) "THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

## Stand at Wytheville.

WYTHEVILLE, Va., May 10.—Testifying in behalf of Floyd Allen, Mrs.
David Ayres today at the trial of
Allen said the shot that killed Miss
of part of this lost evidence, but none
of it can be put into the record unless
room came from behind where she
destruction of the papers in the Jackson wire pool prosecutions. The govalready have been elected and are just about unanimous for Taft.
The President saw numerous visitors today, the last day he will be in the today, the last day he will be in the executive offices for nearly two weeks.
Tonight he leaves for Princeton, to take was in the courtroom and from the direction where the clerk of the court, Good progress was made today in the includes, it is stated, alleged letters in-Dexter Goad, was standing.

to place witnesses on the stand to re- dent of the United States Steel Corpofute testimony given for the prosecu-tion. David Ayres, brother of Miss United States Steel Products Company. Ayres, told his version of the tragedy, was aware that the wire company Walter Tipton, an attorney who de- was a member of the pools. fended Floyd Allen at the trial in Mr. Farrell, it is expected, will Hillsville. and a brother-in-law of William M. Foster, the commonwealth's william M. Foster, the commonwealth's attorney, who was slain, was called by the defense. He testified he had heard formed a conspiracy. He was put through a searching cross-examination by the prosecution and admitted that he had heard Floyd Allen curse one of the witnesses, who had testified against him. He also said Judge Massie had reprimanded both Floyd and Jasper Allen for intimidating witnesses.

Favors Industrial Commission.

The House committee on labor ordered a conspiracy. He was put through a searching cross-examination of the Hughes industrial on a favorable report of the Hughes industrial commission bill today. The commission bill today. The commission bill today. The commission would study labor conditions in and out of the United States and report to the administration are that it is reported that most of the newspahic received by the administration are that it is reported that most of the newspahic received by the administration are that it is reported that most of the newspahic received by the administration are that it is reported that the Allens had feveral events of the inhabitants of Oporto today held conditions are exceedingly black, but there is no more striking stereotypers applied to the newspahic received by the administration are that it is reported that most of the clark of the inhabitants of Oporto today held inhabitants

Roosevelt Says No Other Thousands Face Peril in Lower Decisive Victory by Federals Part of Louisiana.

MAKES ATTACK ON BOSSES RICH COUNTRY THREATENED BIG BATTLE IS IMMINENT

Refuse to Abandon Homes.

Extend Demonstration Work

Among Farmers.

NEW ROADS, La., May 10.-Flood waters from breaches in the Mississippi federal army has repulsed the rebel adcopy of a letter from Col. Theodore levees that already have carried misery vance guard of Gen. Orozco and sharp "Chairman of the Roosevelt committee people living in this territory have been the objective point of the rebels is Tor-

> being drilled. before this entire territory will be inun- an Associated Press representative here dated just as the country to the north news of military developments of the has been flooded. This means the state

#### Water Rushes Through Breach.

from the great gash in the levee at Torras. This breach is 3,000 feet wide. of a mill race. For miles into the flood sea the current pushes its way. It is strongest through Pointe Coupee parish, setts and New Hampshire. In the other where countless thousands of fertile cotseven states the majorities against him ton and cane farms have been inundated. In all the states together about three out of every four of the republicans who voted at the primaries were against Mr. the states there would undoubtedly be no to planting cane. Then an early freeze substantial variation from these figures, came last winter that destroyed thouand Mr. Taft could by no possibility have sands of tons of the cane. Now the flood two hundred votes in the Chicago con- is spread over the entire country. .. othing but ruin will be left in its wake. Crops this year cannot be planted. Prior to this series of disasters Pointe Coupee, then not under "intensive" culture, produced 64,000 bales of cotton, 3,000,000 pounds of sugar and 40,000 barrels of corn, besides large crops of rice and truck. A new menace showed its face in the flood today when it was dis-covered that carcasses of hundreds of animals are floating in the backwater be-tween New Roads and Torras. They can neither be buried nor burned. The health authorities are afraid they will bring disease. Vultures are doing their duty, however, and they probably will dispose of the nuisance.

#### Help for the Farmers.

The Department of Agriculture aims to help the southern flood sufferers by extending the farm demonstration work in the flooded region as much as possible, thereby aiding the local farmers to make some sort of a money crop this year instead of suffering a

years ago, when they had not tried A bill for this purpose, carrying him as President, and they heartily \$100,000, was introduced in the House recently by Representative Ransdell of Mississippi. It passed the Senate Wednesday, but the appropriation was cut land: Mr. Penrose, in Pennsylvania; Mr. to \$50,000. The department now has Kealing, in Indiana; Mr. Lorimer, in Il- about one demonstrator to each counlinois: Messrs. Guggenheim and Evans, ty in the flood region, and wants to put four or five in each county. It will be handicapped considerably by the rety in the flood region, and wants to put and the Amalgamated Copper duced appropriation, but is sending in Montana, and in your own out letters and circulars to the farmers state they include Mr. Smith and Mr. advising them what to do following the subsidence of the floods, and will follow this up later by distributing as many demonstrators through the flood districts as the money available will

Resolution Prevents Playing at Private Social Functions.

Aimed directly at the members of the see state convention next Tuesday. Marine Band who play at private social

service of the United States, the army and navy, respectively, whether a noncommissioned officer, musician or private, shall be detailed, ordered or permitted to and for efficient endeavor to secure so-cial and industrial justice can achieve his purposes only by supporting my cansame shall interfere with the customary My personal interest is of no concern employment and regular engagement of

#### TO TELL OF LOST EVIDENCE

## Against Steel Corporation.

ed that government counsel in the suit TESTIFYING IN ALLEN'S FAVOR. to dissolve the United States Steel Corporation would place witnesses on Defense Places More Witnesses on the stand today to prove the evidence Taft that he could count on every deledestruction of the papers in the Jackfying in behalf of Floyd Allen, Mrs. ernment has in its possession copies David Ayres today at the trial of of part of this lost evidence, but none Allen said the shot that killed Miss of it can be put into the record unless

The evidence tends to show the American Steel and Wire Company's trial of Allen. The defense continued dicating that James A. Farrell, presi-

in Mexico Reported.

ing Armies.

SUPPORT GOVERNMENT HELP PLANNED GEN. HUERTA ENTHUSIASTIC

Writes Letter to Chairman of His Department of Agriculture Aims to Federal Commander Expects Complete Overthrow of the

Revolution.

EL PASO, Tex., May 10.-The Mexican and suffering to thousands of people of skirmishes are now in progress prelimi-Louisiana continued to creep southward nary to what is expected to be the most today, and now this town, with its rich decisive battle of the revolution. Nearly outlying country, is threatened. All 15,000 men are engaged on both sides and to believe that the misery that lay bare Mexico.

> The government claims it drew first In a telegraph office improvised in box car on a desert, fifty miles north of

Torreon, Gen. Victoriano Huerta, commander of the federal army of northern It seems only a matter of a few hours Mexico, transferred today by telegraph to last twenty-four hours. The box car stood a few miles from the town of Bermejillo

#### Federal Commander Confident.

The wire had been set up direct to the federal camp, being routed from El Paso via Laredo, Tex., Monterey and Torreon, a roundabout circuit, eastward, of more Most of the flood water is coming sary by the seizure of all telegraphic lines directly south of here by the rebels. From the improvised telegraph office Gen. Water pours through it with the speed Huerta talked enthusiastically of the bat-

> "Yesterday (Thursday) Gen. Rabago completely routed 1,000 rebels at Zaratoza and Tlahualilo, both near Torreon,' said Gen Huerta. "The rebels lost ninety dead and many wounded, while our loss was seven dead and few wounded. The rebels were driven back in hasty flight and are pursued by cavalry under Gen. Villa. "Wednesday we heard that a detachus, and we organized a column which went by railroad under Gen. Rabago To cut off retreat we sent overland volunteer and regular cavalry from the

forces of Villa. "They arrived about 6 o'clock Thursday morning and immediately attacked the rebels. The fight became more intense when Gen. Rabago arrived and fianked the rebels. He had with him artillery and machine guns. The fight lasted six hours. We completely routed the enemy. Our losses were seven killed and two wounded."

#### Says Rebels Retreated. Communication was interrupted for a few minutes.

"A telegram has just been brought to me from Gen. Trucy Aubert, at Cuatro Clenegas, which says the rebel chief Salazar was completely routed and is running away in the direction of Sierra Mojada," said Gen Huerta. Couriers from the advance guard ar rived at this juncture, according to Gen. Huerta, and informed him that the federal outposts were in possession of the Mexican Central railroad up to within welve miles of Bermejillo. No communication was had here with the rebel front early today, but the lib-eral officials conceded they met stubborn resistance in the initial skirmishing. Today is the first anniversary of the

can history are said to be expected.

surrender of Juarez to Madero, and

equally important developments in Mexi-

## **Assistant Attorney General** Call on Taft.

Senator Sanders of Tennessee and Assame state conferred with President Taft guidance. today about the meeting of the Tennes-"The four delegates at large from evident that I certainly can be nominated functions in this city, the House com- state will be for the President and will mittee on labor today ordered a favorable be instructed for him," said Senator Sanders. "I hear much talk about southern report on the joint resolution, reading as delegates instructed for Taft going over to Roosevelt. I do not place much faith "That hereafter no enlisted man in the in any of this. The southern delegates in the coming convention, with possibly a few exceptions, are clean, high-minded men and will follow their instructions, whether for Taft or Roosevelt. The day of corraling southern delegates and influencing them with money is past."

The indorsement of a commission of senator Warren of Wyoming told scientific men of the meat inspection regu-

> Senator Townsend of Michigan and Senator Bradley of Kentucky can not take part in the Ohio campaign next toen, University of Chicago; Prof. week. Senator Townsend said that he Joseph Hughes, Chicago Veterinary Colhad offered to speak in Ohio three days this week. No dates having been fixed forbid his stumping the state, although he wanted to see the President carry NEW YORK, May 10.—It was expect- Ohio and believed he would carry it.

#### Utah Sure, Says Smoot.

Senator Smoot of Utah told President lost to the government's case by the gate from Utah in the conventions to be held next week. The delegates to the

> Ohio to remain there until the primaries for delegates be announced in a few days. The regular cabinet meeting was held at 11 o'clock. This will be the last cabi-

net session for two weeks, unless the unexpected happens. Secretary Knox and probably one or two other cabinet



THE LINGERING BLASTS.

# SAYS MEAT INSPECTION PERSONNEL IS FAULTY Police Compelled to Fire on

Rev. C. B. Crane Tells House **Committee Conditions Are** Due to Officials.

The chief fault of the meat inspection service, in the opinion of the Rev. Caro ine Bartlett Crane, who is supporting Representative Nelson's resolution for a congressional investigation of this function of the Department of Agriculture, is in the personnel of the officials of that department. Mrs. Crane made this statement to the House committee on expenditures in the Department of Agriculture today.

She maintained that James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture; George P. McCabe, the solicitor, and A. D. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industry, were in power when the sensational disclosures

They did not cure the evils then, she

#### Question of Public Health.

not enough to the health of the people. "It is not a question of animal induslic health," said the witness. "I repre- turning them over to others who beat sent the people in this matter and I do not think they have been properly repreented in the questions arising between the packing interests and the experts who sistant Attorney General Fowler of the have made the rules for the packers'

A general criticism of the regulations of the bureau of animal industry was wholesome, diseased meat, unfit for human consumption, may be put into interstate traffic under existing rules. "The rules are rigid on diseases of hogs and cattle that are never found in inspection.

#### Disapproves of Commission. President Taft about the situation in his lations was not accepted at its face value ward the houses.

This commission included Dr. William lege; Prof. V. A. Moore, Cornell; Dr. Leonard Pearson, University of Pennsyl-navia; Dr. M. J. Rosenau, public health and marine hospital service, and Dr. Charles Wardell Stiles of the marine hos-

pital service. Mrs. Crane read a letter from Secre tary Wilson, addressed to her, to show that the members of this commission were selected after they had passed upon and approved the regulations, and she pointed out that they were selected by the man responsible for the regulations, Secretary Wilson. The committee recess-

#### STRIKE GROWS WEAKER.

Chicago Newspapers Sold at Down- beaten by women. part in the inauguration of President town Street Corners Without Guard. CHICAGO, May 10.-Newspapers were sold at a number of downtown street Senators Fall and Catron of New Mexico conferred with the President as to a number of land office appointments for the new state. These appointments will paper strike. The zone for the distribution of news-

papers has been gradually widened until deputies, Aresta Draco, resigned today, at present it includes nearly every section of the city. Following the action of President James

# SHOOT ALIEN MINERS CALLS WEATHER IDEAL

Rioting Coal Workers.

MOB OF 2,000 DISPERSED

North Scranton, Pa., Is Scene of Ugly Demonstration.

STONES AND CLUBS ARE USED

Several Injured by Missiles-Two Men and Half a Dozen Women Arrested.

SCRANTON, Pa., May 10.-Cayuga breaker of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company, in North Scranton, of the meat-packing industry were made formed the background of an ugly riotous demonstration today. Foreign workmen were leaders among the crowd of asserts, and since the enactment of new 2,000 men and boys that assembled near Inspection standards have gradually lowwild in their outcries and defied the squad of local police, who had an hour Mrs. Crane said that too much atten- before been ordered out from every station is paid to the interests involved and tion on notice from the mine officials that trouble was threatened. The idle workers broke through the police lines, rushtry, of animal pathology, but of the pub- ed the firerooms and dragged out men,

### Several Are Injured.

State police on duty all night at the Leggetts Creek mine, a mile away, hurried over, and their coming rallied the ontained in Mrs. Crane's testimony of local police and together the officers today. She endeavored to point out to the the rioters. Bricks, stones and clubs were thrown and the officers, dropping their clubs, drew their guns and began to force the crowd back Some shots were fired by the police as Policemen Peter Marker and Louis Davis fell, both with battered heads from The state troopers then rode into the crowd, firing their revolvers. Mike Flacka and another foreigner drop-ped to the ground, the former shot through the abdomen, the latter in the leg. The crowd then broke and ran, and

#### Women Also Arrested. Two men and a half dozen women were arrested.

The rioters took refuge behind cars on the railroad near the breaker, but were finally dispersed when the railroad police came up on a special car and began to hand out guns to the local policemen. Capt. Williams and Director O'Malloy of the Scranton department of public safety ordered the police to patrol the entire grounds and to suppress at once any further trouble. They also warned the crowd of people, many of whom were attracted to the place by the trouble, to disperse, telling them to remain away and stay peaceable. The foreigners threatened all kinds of trouble, but the police and troopers now

seem to have the situation under control.
William Littlejohn, going to fire duty at
the Leggetts Creek mine, was badly

## ARESTA DRACO RESIGNS.

Deputies Steps Down. LISBON, Portugal, May 10.-The speaker of the Portuguese chamber of

without assigning any reason for his

Both the senate and the chamber of

# FOR THE INAUGURATION

Mr. Henry Says Today's Smiling Skies Should Be an Object Lesson.

"This is the kind of weather we should have for the inauguration of the Presi-

dent of the United States.' Representative Henry, who is expected to bring up his resolution to provide for a change of date in the inaugural ceremonies within a few days, took this morning's smiling skies as an object lesson in talking about his scheme to a Star

"The resolution has the right of way," he continued, "and I have the rule in my pocket now. It could be brought up at any time, but I think it would be better to let some of these appropriation this

very important subject. "I want to get it up at a time when ject, and let every one know the importance of the proposed change. I believe it will be adopted, too, for I think every one is fully convinced that the in-auguration should be held in the fine weather which we have in the latter part

#### Term Could Be Extended.

"Although it is not connected with the proposition to extend the term of the presidency to six years, I cannot but feel that the two propositions will benefit each other. You see, my resolution will fit any case, as it calls for a change in the date of the inauguration from March 4 to the last Thursday in April, no matter what the term of office of the president would be. It could be four, six or eight years for that matter.

"Meantime I am doing considerable issionary work on my resolution, and l hope to have every member of Congress thoroughly informed on the necessity of the change by the time it is brought up in the House.

#### Adds \$10,000,000 to Debt. ten-million-dollar increase in the indebtedness of the Philippine Islands over the present five-million-dollar debt is authorized for needed public improvements

the police combined to drive them on to-ward the houses.

democrat who raised opposition, pro-tested that the United States would be giving a radius of 300 miles. indirectly responsible for the loan. bill now goes to the House. 

### "Breaking Into the Big League"

How much chance the college man has, as opposed to the "busher," is told in the first of a series by a base ball expert.

#### BOZEMAN BULGER

In the next

Sunday Magazine of The Sunday Star

# SAILOR'S TALE STIRS CULM BANK OPTION

Survivor Involves Sir Cosmo Witness Details Judge Archand Lady Duff-Gordon.

OBJECT TO SAVING VICTIMS BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE

London Probers Hear Couple Pro- Investigation of Charges Against tested Against Picking Up Others.

POSTPONE CROSS-EXAMINATION CONTRACT WITH ERIE COMPANY

White Star Attorney Desires to Consult Officers of Titanic-More Testimony Today.

LONDON, May 10.-The board of trade inquiry into the Titanic disaster was Scranton, Pa., were summoned today resumed today under the presidency of by the House judiciary committee to Lord Mersey. So important did the White appear as witnesses in the hearing of Star company consider the evidence yesterday of Charles Hendrickson, one of the firemen of the Titanic, that the life- liam P. C. Boland is one of the accusers boat of which he was one of the crew of the jurist and furnished the Departhad not returned to the scene of the disaster because Sir Cosmo and Lady Duff-Gordon objected that it would be dangerous to do so, that the company's attorney on the reopening of the inquiry this morning requested that the crossexamination of the witness be postponed. The attorney desired time to consult with the surviving officers of the Titanic, who are on the way to England on board the Adriatic. The request was granted by mittee room early. They plan to make

Members of the crew were today examined as to how they left the Titanic, the number of passengers in their boats, and whether they returned to the scene of the disaster to try to rescue some of those in the water. A steward who was in lifeboat No. 4, from which all the passengers were transferred to other boats, No. 4 returning to where the Titanic sank, said that although the boat's crew rowed about throughout the night they found only three people alive. He admitted on cross-examination, however, admitted on cross-examination, however, in the water might have been alive, but were unconscious and they only went to those who were crying for help.

Did Not Understand English.

The attorney representing the Stewards' Union questioned the witness regarding the foreign staff in the restaurant of the Titanic. His object, he explained, was to show that as these men did not understand orders given in English they were a source of danger. Corroboration was given today of the evidence of Thomas Dillon of the engineer's staff that the water-tight doors were opened by order of the engineer.

Fred Scott, who was on duty in the turbine engine room on the night of the disaster, said that at a quarter to 1 he was ordered to open the water-tight doors from the engine room through to the stern compartment, so as to enable the engineers to get at the pumps. At first he opened the doors only about a fact

he opened the doors only about a foot. Then the engineer, having telephoned to the bridge, threw the doors wide open. Doors Open From Stem to Stern.

Lord Mersey remarked: "This taken in conjunction with Thomas Dillon's evidence would show that the doors were opened from the forward boiler room to the stern compartment.' The attorneys representing the White when the water reached a certain height the water-tight doors would close automatically. According to Scott it had been definitely ascertained that the lights reported to have been seen by some of the people on the lifeboats were those of lifeboats.

# HYDRO-AEROPLANE TRIP

### British Ruler Witnesses Exhibition—To See Naval

Maneuvers.

WEYMOUTH, England, May 10.-King George passed practically the whole morn- Justice was investigating the transacing inspecting the hydro-aeroplane invented by Horace Short, on which Acting Commander Charles R. Samson yesterday carried out a series of evolutions around the British fleet. The facility with which attached to the naval flying corps.

It has not yet been divulged whether ar rangements have been made to give the king the trip in the air which he desires mated?"

#### To See Naval Maneuvers.

The hydro-aeroplane used by Comby a bill passed today by the Senate. mander Samson has sufficient capacity to the investigation, and use Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia, the only carry petrol and oil for a six-hour flight, judge talk about that?" mander Samson has sufficient capacity to the investigation, and didn't you and the

Commander Samson this morning gave ber what all was said, but I remember the king a brief exhibition of the capa- that the judge said it would be better not bilities of the machine, with which he to try and sell the culm. He thought it soared, volplaned and dodged in and out would be well to let the culm stand and between the vessels of the fleet, finally it would be worth more some other time." skimming the surface of the sea until he reached after you learned that the Decame to a breakwater, over which he partment of Justice was investigating the leaped.

The king then went on board the battleship Neptune, which led the first and second squadrons of the fleet out to sea.

Tactical exercises, gun practice and battle

May previously had agreed to make out maneuvers are to be carried out in mid a deed to the property and declined to

#### OBJECT TO RATE ORDER.

Railways Say I. C. C. Mandate Is Practically Confiscation. On the ground of practical confiscation

so-called Shreveport case was asked today of the Commerce Court. The applications were docketed in two cases, one filed by the Houston, East and papers in the case, quoting from a state-

port identical with the rates prescribed by the Texas railroad commission from Texas points to Shreveport. The railroads urge, in their application for injunction, that it would cost them \$500,000 a year to meet the requirements of the same of o a year to meet the requirements of the order, and that would amount to confisca-

ONE CENT.

bald's Interest in the Deal.

Member of Commerce Court.

Representatives of Marion Coal Company of Scranton, Pa., Summoned to Testify.

William P. C. Boland and C. G. Bocharges against Judge Robert W. Archbald of the Commerce Court. Wilment of Justice with information relating to the option from the Erie railroad procured by Judge Archbald and Edward J. Williams on culm bank property. The Bolands will appear when the committee has ended its examination of Williams, who was recalled to the stand this morning.

Judge Archbald and his counsel, A. S. Worthington, appeared in the coma thorough cross-examination of the witness Williams.

When called to the stand, Mr. Williams was asked by Chairman Clayton if he had said Wednesday that Judge Archbald had offered to give bond to

## Wanted to Clear Title.

"Did Judge Archbald know about it?" "Yes, I talked to him about it. We wanted to clear up the title." "Who drew the contract for sale of the culm property to the Laurel line?"

Judge Archbald drew it.'

"Who has that contract now?" "I suppose Mr. Conn's attorney has it. We gave it to ... to look over. The witness was asked about a previous

The witness was asked about a previous deal whereby the Erie railroad offered the culm bank property on which Williams secured an option to the DuPont Powder Company for \$2,000.

Williams said he had heard from John M. Robertson last week that Capt. May of the Erie railroad had offered to sell the culm to the DuPont company. Williams and Judge Archbald were charged \$4,500 for option on the same property. \$4,500 for option on the same property.
"Did Robertson tell you when this off

"Yes, but I don't remember when."

Depends on Coal Deposits. Asked if the value of culm banks had recently increased in value, Williams said t depended on the amount of coal in such deposits. Whether the Katydid culm was worth more today than it was six months

ago Williams could not say. The chairman asked why Capt. May of the Erie had refused to give an option to him when he first approached him, if the culm was on the market. Williams said he had no idea. "Why," asked the chairman, "was it necessary for you to get a letter from Judge Archbald before Capt. May

vould give you the option?" "Well, I thought it wouldn't hurt me to have a letter from the judge." "What made you think so?"
"Judge Archbald and Capt. May were well acquainted," Williams said. "You knew Judge Archbald was a ederal judge at the time and had con-

siderable railroad litigation on in his ourt, didn't you?" "And you knew Mr. May was a rail-

#### road man and corporation man?"

Influence of Circumstances. "Then you thought these circumstances would have an influence in getting the option of the culm property from the Erie?" "Yes, I thought so," Williams replied. "Isn't it a fact that May declined to consummate this deal for the culm bank

"When did you first learn of the investigation? "When I was called to Washington last February. "Did you tell Judge Archbald that you had been called to Washington by the Attorney General in this matter?" "Yes, I did. I talked to him when I was here at that time. "Did you and Judge Archbald discuss

#### why the deal had not been consum-"Yes, we talked about it." Judge Advises Delay.

"Wasn't the deal halted on account of "Well, I talked to him. I don't remem

"The decision not to sell it then was "Yes, we decided that about three weeks ago." After Capt. May had refused to

carry out the agreement after the government began inquiry into the case.

The chairman referred to previous testimony relating to Judge Archbald's visit to General Counsel and Vice President Brownell of the Erie railroad after Capt. May's first refusal to give an option to

#### the culm property. Offered to See Brownell.

of property, an injunction restraining the "Just what did Judge Archbald say to interstate commerce commission from you about going to see Brownell?" the putting into effect June 1 its order in the chairman asked. "He just said, 'I'll go and see Brow-

nell," Williams replied. Here the chairman read from the West railway and the Houston and ment given by Williams to Assistant At-Shreveport railroad; the other by the Texas and Pacific railway.

The commission's order, issued by a majority of the body, required that the railroads should put into effect by June 1 rates on traffic westbound from Shreveport identical with the rates part of the rates of the ra

Judge Archbald Quoted.

Before you went to see Capt. May

## after he learned that the Department of tion?" "I don't know."